

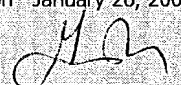


CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service in First Class mail in an envelope addressed to:

"Commissioner for Patents"
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

on January 26, 2004


Gerard J. McGowan, Jr.
Reg. No. 29,412
Attorney for Applicant

January 26, 2004
Date of Signature

PATENT

CASE #F3238(C)
UNUS #99-0334-UNI

RECEIVED
FEB 09 2004
TC 1700

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Bakker et al.
Serial No.: 09/577,306
Filed: May 24, 2000
For: PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCTION OF A FROZEN PRODUCT

Group: 1723
Examiner: D. Sorkin
Edgewater, New Jersey 07020

AMENDMENT

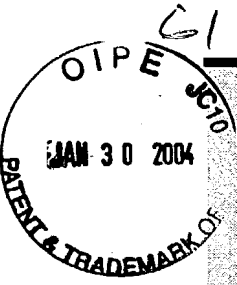
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 24, 2003, a three month extension of time for response to which is being requested, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.



CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service in First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to:

"Commissioner for Patents"
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

on January 26, 2004

Gerard J. McGowan, Jr.
Reg. No. 29,412
Attorney for Applicant

January 26, 2004
Date of Signature

UNITED STATES DEPT. OF COMMERCE
Patent and Trademark Office

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.I. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AF/723
RECEIVED
FEB 09 2004
TC 1700

In re application of: Bakker et al.
Serial No.: 09/577,306
Filed: May 24, 2000
For: PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF A FROZEN FOOD PRODUCT
Group: 1723
Examiner: D. Sorkin
Edgewater, New Jersey 07020

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.
[X] No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	(2) * Claims Remaining After Amendment		(4)** Highest No. Previously Paid For	(5) Present Extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total Claims		Minus			\$ 18.00	
Independent Claims		Minus			\$ 86.00	
Multiple Claims					\$ 290.00	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$-----	

*If the entry in Column (2) is less than the entry in Column (4), write "0" in Column (5).

**If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" is less than "20," write "20" in this space.

[] Charge \$_____ to Deposit Acct. #12-1155. Triplicate copies of this letter are enclosed.
[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required to our deposit account No. 12-1155, including all required fees under
[X] 37 C.F.R. § 1.16;
[X] 37 C.F.R. § 1.17;
[X] 37 C.F.R. § 1.18.
Triplicate copies of this letter are enclosed.

/gjm
(201) 840-2297

Gerard J. McGowan, Jr.
Attorney of Record
Reg. #29,412